# Article 2 Membership

## Section 2.1 Member Organizations

The membership of the OpenFabrics Alliance consists primarily of organizations (companies, academic institutions, related trade organizations, etc.) referred to as Member Organizations. Individual memberships, referred to as Individual Members, are permitted subject to policy established by the Board, but only to the extent that such memberships are bona fide individual memberships.

## Section 2.2 Promoter Members

There shall be a Promoter class of membership. As specified in Article 3, a Promoter Member organization shall have the right to appoint a Director to the Board of Directors, subject to any restrictions as described in Article 3.

## Section 2.3 Membership Levels

In addition to the Promoter class, the Board may create a policy specifying additional membership classes. The Board shall also create and may amend from time to time a policy establishing the rights, obligations, restrictions, and fees of all membership classes.

## Section 2.4 Board Approval

An organization or individual wishing to join the OFA must complete a Membership Agreement, which must then be approved by the Board.

The Board shall have the right to refuse membership to any organization or individual if such membership would be in violation of United States law, California law, or if in the Board’s best judgement such a membership would be detrimental to the OFA.

The Board may revoke or suspend an existing membership if that membership is detrimental to the OFA, is contrary to the goals or objectives of the OFA or is in violation of United States or California law. In the case where inaction by the OFA may expose the OFA to significant legal liability, the Chair may immediately and temporarily suspend an existing membership until the next Board Meeting.